

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 11, 2023
6:00 p.m.



Unalaska City Hall
Council Chambers
43 Raven Way

Council Members
Thomas D. Bell
Darin Nicholson
Daneen Looby

Council Members
Dennis M. Robinson
Alejandro R. Tungul
Shari Coleman

UNALASKA CITY COUNCIL

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Mayor: Vincent M. Tutiakoff Sr. **City Manager:** William Homka, Acting
City Clerk: Marjie Veeder, mveeder@ci.unalaska.ak.us

MINUTES

1. **Call to order.** Vice Mayor Robinson called the regular meeting of the Unalaska City Council to order on April 11, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.
2. **Roll call.** The City Clerk called the roll. All Council Members were present; Mayor Tutiakoff was absent (excused).

Tungul read the City's Mission Statement: To provide a sustainable quality of life through excellent stewardship of government.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Robinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Recognition of Visitors.** Vice Mayor Robinson recognized School Superintendent Jim Wilson and many folks in the audience in support of the school, including new Superintendent, Kimberly Hanisch.
5. **Adoption of Agenda.** Coleman moved to adopt the agenda with second by Looby. There being no objection, the agenda was unanimously adopted.
6. **Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting.** Looby moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 28, 2023, as presented, with second by Nicholson. There being no objection, the proposed minutes were approved.
7. **Reports.**
 - a. Interim Finance Director Clay Darnell presented the Financial Reports for February 2023 and an overview of the Proprietary Funds and responded to Council questions. DPU Director also responded to a question from Council.
 - b. Acting City Manager William Homka gave the manager report and responded to Council questions.
8. **Community Input & Announcements:** The City Clerk reminded the community of the April 24 deadline to appeal assessed value of real property; and the community meet and greet tomorrow for city manager candidate James Hunt.
9. **Public Comment on Agenda Items.** None.
10. **Public Hearing.** The Mayor opened the public hearing on Ordinance 2023-02 Amending Unalaska Code of Ordinances, Section 6.40.050, Subparagraph (C), Senior Citizen Refund. There being no testimony, the public hearing was closed.

11. **Work Session.** Tungul moved to go into work session with second by Nicholson. There being no objection, Council moved into work session at 6:43 p.m.

- a. Superintendent Jim Wilson presented the Unalaska City School District FY24 Budget and responded to questions and comments from Council. Vice Mayor Robinson provided an opportunity for Public Comment, which was made by Peggy McLaughlin; Stephen Nguyen; Frank Kelty (remotely); Shelby Shaishnikoff; and Joni Scott. Council discussion and public comment ended at 7:22 p.m.
- b. Associate Planner Thomas Roufos presented an updated FY24 Capital and Major Maintenance Plan, highlighting the changes made since the last meeting. Mr. Homka, Mr. Darnell responded to Council questions. DPW Director Scott Brown presented the FY24 Rolling Stock Replacement Plan, highlighting changes made since the last meeting and explaining the vehicles to be replaced; and responded to Council questions and comments. Finally, Mr. Brown discussed the updated Facilities Major Maintenance Plan.

Manager Homka commented and thanked staff for all their hard work.

Homka and the Vice Mayor made general comments about the budgeting process and threats to the city's revenue. Council discussion continued.

Tungul moved to return to regular session with second by Coleman; there being no objection, Council returned to regular session at 8:05 p.m.

12. Regular Agenda

- a. Ordinance 2023-02: 2nd Reading – Amending Unalaska Code of Ordinances, Section 6.40.050, Subparagraph (C), Senior Citizen Refund

Coleman moved to adopt Ordinance 2023-02 with second by Nicholson.

Introduction by the City Clerk

Council discussion

Roll call vote: all Council Members voted in the affirmative, adopting Ordinance 2023-02 unanimously.

- b. Resolution 2023-12: Authorizing waivers for failure to file timely applications for the Senior Citizen Property Tax Exemption

Tungul moved to adopt Resolution 2023-12 with second by Looby

Introduction by the City Clerk

Council discussion

Roll call vote: all Council Members voted in the affirmative, adopting Resolution 2023-12 unanimously.

13. **Council Directives to City Manager.** None.

14. **Community Input & Announcements.** City Manager Homka announced he will be on leave soon; Peggy McLaughlin will serve as Acting City Manager during his absence; and City Clerk Veeder will be on leave soon, with Estkarlen Magdaong serving as Acting City Clerk.

15. **Adjournment.** Having completed all items on the agenda, the Vice Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

These minutes were approved by the Unalaska City Council on April 25, 2023.

Estkarlen P. Magdaong
Acting City Clerk

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